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APS GUP System Enhancements

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Policy Changes

Proposal Lifetime

 All proposals now valid for two years OR until PRP-recommended number of shifts have been used.

Project Status

- Provides predictable, reliable access to beam time over more than one cycle; no need to submit a beam time request each cycle
- Granted VERY sparingly; additional levels of review apply
- No need to submit beam time requests (BTRs) each run; beam time set aside in advance



Procedure Changes

- Proposal Review
 - Proposals requesting project status:
 - Reviewed and scored by appropriate PRP
 - PRP decides if further review is justified
 - If PRP says yes:
 - SAC subcommittee reviews proposal
 If SAC says no, proposal goes into BAC allocation as usual
 - If SAC recommends project status (beamline input required),
 project status is granted and beamline and proposer are notified.
 - If PRP says no:
 - Proposal goes to BAC for allocation by score as usual



Procedure Changes (cont'd.)

- Pls of expiring proposals will receive an e-mail prior to next GUP submission date IF
 - Five cycles have elapsed and the sixth cycle is underway, or
 - The total of shifts used in all previous cycles plus the shifts allocated/scheduled* for current cycle = number of PRPrecommended shifts, or
 - Number of remaining shifts < minimum number of usable shifts in a cycle.

^{*} For expiration e-mails to be sent properly, the User Office must know schedules at beginning of run since proposals are due before the end of any given run.



Proposal Form Changes

- General Tab:
 - Individual and Program proposal designations eliminated
 - Asks if project status is requested for proposal
 - If project status is requested, displays project status as:
 - □Pending
 - PRP approved or declined
 - SAC approved or declined
 - Displays in real time
 Shifts Requested (#), Shifts Allocated (#), Shifts Used (#)



General Tab: Example

te = 09-00	T-06 due_date is over = 15-JUL-06 hide i_sul	bmit_flag N		
osal Title:	MIS TEST, YU – Please ignore all emails fo	or GUP 1ggggggghh		(*)
	Project Proposal Status: SAC_APPROVED	Allocated Shifts: (2) Granted Beamli	ne: (28-BM-NULLCA	T) Shifts Used:
	Do you want this proposal to be consid	Yes ® N	0 (
	Does this proposal require mail-in serv	Yes C N	0 6	
	Does this research involve macromole	Yes C N	0 6	
	Will the data collected be considered p	Yes 🔍 N	0 6	
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	Does this research involve human subj	Yes C N	0 6	
	Does this research involve live animals	Yes 🤼 N	0 6	
	Are there known safety hazards associ proposed experimental procedures or y	Yes C N	0 6	
	Is this research required for a student'	is research required for a student's thesis ?		0 6
	Is this proposal related to another general so, which one(s) and how?	his proposal related to another general user proposal ?		0 6
	(500 characters or less)			
Subject of Research:	Materials science	Instrumentation related to user facilities	Chemistry	
	☐ Earth sciences	Physics	Polymers	
	Medical applications	Optics (excluding x-ray optics)	Other (specify)	
	Environmental sciences	☐ Biological and life sciences	Engineering	
	Purchase of specialty service or materials	Specify Other :		



Proposal Form Changes (cont.d)

- Beam Time Request
 - Techniques drop down moved from General Tab
 - For XOR beamlines, instrument choices required
 e.g., If beamline XOR-1-BM is selected, two choices will be displayed (powder diffraction or reflectometry)
 - For non-XOR beamlines, this option will be incorporated for 2007-2, if desired
- Questions Tab
 - New question (Why does this proposal warrant project status?)
 - For MC proposals, drop-down list of key words to aid in reviewer selection



Proposal Form Changes (cont'd.)

- Reviews Tab
 - Available to PI after PRP and SAC (if applicable) reviews are complete
 - Will display comments from PRP and SAC, as well as shifts recommended and used (as on General Tab)



What Happens to Existing Active Proposals?

- Individual proposals receiving time or scheduled in 2006-3 expire.
- Individual proposals not receiving time are "grandfathered." That is, they will remain active for five more cycles OR until PRP-recommended shifts have been used. Existing aging rules apply.
- Program proposals already in the system will expire according to old system rules (that is, when six cycles have elapsed)



Questions? Further Information Sources

More information on User Information Web pages

User Information -> Scientific Access -> General Users

http://www.aps.anl.gov/Users/Scientific_Access/General_User/index.

Provides links to

Overview

Frequently Asked Questions

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